



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Board of Public Utilities
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IN THE MATTER OF WAYNE KRETZING,
PETITIONER v. PUBLIC SERVICE
ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY,
RESPONDENT

ORDER ADOPTING
INITIAL DECISION

BPU Docket No. GC05100850U
OAL Docket No. PUC 01863-06

(SERVICE LIST ATTACHED)

BY THE BOARD:

On October 5, 2005, Wayne Kretzing (Petitioner) filed a petition with the Board of Public Utilities (Board) for a hearing in regard to a billing dispute with Public Service Electric and Gas Company (PSE&G) (Respondent). On November 16, 2005, Respondent filed an answer.

On January 25, 2006, the Board transmitted this matter to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) for determination and initial disposition as a contested case pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 52:14F-1 et seq. The matter was assigned to Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Thomas E. Clancy.


During the pendency of this matter at the OAL, the parties engaged in negotiations and reached a settlement. The settlement was submitted to the ALJ for review. On June 6, 2006, ALJ Clancy filed an Initial Decision with the Board, memorializing the terms of the settlement and recommending that it be approved. The ALJ found the settlement to be voluntary, consistent with the law and fully dispositive of all issues in controversy. The ALJ therefore concluded that the settlement met the requirements of N.J.A.C. 1:1-19.1.

Under the terms of the settlement, Respondent will forgive \$1,479.55 of Petitioner's outstanding balance of \$1,690.34. Petitioner will pay the net balance of \$210.79.

The Board FINDS that the terms of the settlement are fair and reasonable. Therefore, the Board HEREBY ADOPTS the Initial Decision and Stipulation of Settlement in their entirety, incorporating the terms thereof into this final decision as if fully set forth at length herein.

DATED: 7/21/06

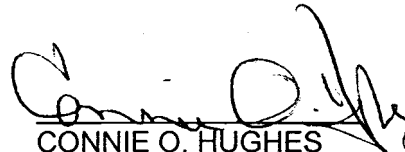
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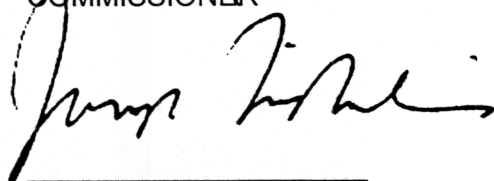
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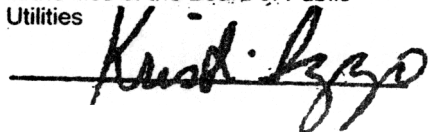
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INITIAL DECISION

SETTLEMENT

OAL DKT. NO. PUC 01863-06

AGENCY DKT. NO. GC05100850U

WAYNE KRETZING,

Petitioner,

v.

PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND

GAS COMPANY,

Respondent.

Wayne Kretzing, petitioner, pro se

Edward Sullivan, Esq for respondent

Record Closed: June 1, 2006

Decided: June 2, 2006

BEFORE THOMAS E. CLANCY, ALAJ.

This matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) on February 14, 2006, for resolution as a contested case pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 to 15 and N.J.S.A. 52:14F1 to -13.

During the pendency of the case at the Office of Administrative Law, the parties settled their differences as provided in the attached letter and e-mail.

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Having reviewed the contents of the attached letter and e-mail, **FIND** (a) that they are consistent with the law, (b) that they fully dispose of all issues in controversy, and (c) that they were voluntarily entered into by the parties.

Accordingly, I **CONCLUDE** that the attached letter and e-mail meet the requirements of N.J.A.C. 17:27-19.1(d) and I hereby **APPROVE** same. In conjunction therewith, I **ORDER** that the parties comply with their contents and that these proceedings be (and are hereby) **TERMINATED**.

hereby **FILE** my initial decision with the **BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES** for consideration.

This recommended decision may be adopted, modified or rejected by the **BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**, which by law is authorized to make a final decision in this matter. If the Board of Public Utilities does not adopt, modify or reject this decision within forty-five (45) days and unless such time limit is otherwise extended, this recommended decision shall become a final decision in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-10

6/2/06
DATE

Thomas E. Clancy
THOMAS E. CLANCY, ALAJ

Receipt Acknowledged:

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BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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Kretzing, Wayne

From: Sullivan, Edward B. [Edward.Sullivan@pseg.com]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2006 12:23 PM
To: Kretzing, Wayne
Subject: Adjustment to your account

Mr. Kretzing:

This is a follow-up to our conversation of 5/31/06. As I stated your account was billed from 2/16/05 – 4/20/05 for a total of \$1957.89 (3/18 \$676.03, 4/19 \$65.97, 4/20 \$1215.89). The gas meter that registered the service # 1615596 was changed on 5/5/05 tested on 5/12/05. The results of the test indicated that the meter tested at 101.15%. This is within the limits set by the BPU and is considered to be accurate. The remove index of 0327 was also verified. This being said in order to settle this matter I have offered to rebill your account for the 2005 period in question totaling \$1957.89 for \$486.74. This rebilling will result in a credit of \$1471.15 being applied to your account. In addition a credit of \$8.40 will also be applied to the account. The \$8.40 represents the difference between the \$148.40 that you paid for a remote devise and the \$140.00 credit applied to your account on 4/24/06. Since you have accepted this offer, the adjustments will result in your account balance on 5/18/06 of \$1690.34 being reduced to \$210.79.

Mr. Kretzing, it was a pleasure speaking with you. Should you have any additional questions can be reached at (973) 430 6170.

If you have not already done so, please advise the Office of Administrative Law that the matter has been settled and you are withdrawing your petition.

Sincerely, Ed Sullivan, Manager Customer Operations, Regulatory Services

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Date: JUN 5 2006

Re: Initial Decisions for Receipt

Receipt of the following decisions from the Office of Administrative Law (as well as a copy of this form) is acknowledged as of the date indicated below:

OAL Docket No. PUC

Case Name

1863-06

Wayne Kotzing

Board of Public Utilities

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Date

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